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JOHN DEERE ROAD, MOLINE, ILLINOIS 61255 U.S.A.

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 5  
Sites Notification  
111 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Attention: Mr. Chester A. Marcyn  
Program Support Section

Gentlemen:

Superfund Notification

Attached is notification of two flow-through lagoons located on our John Deere Foundry, East Moline, Illinois property which only receive wastewater flows from off-site sources not under our ownership. The site was initially reported by telephone to Mr. Marcyn on 2 July 1981 as a possible hazardous site following inconclusive laboratory results of wastewaters present in the two lagoons.

Since the wastewaters were represented as only containing oils, sampling was initially conducted to establish the absence of PCB. The presence of heavy metals including chromium, lead, and zinc was discovered. This discovery was unexpected, but we now believe that we will be able to close the lagoons on 9 November 1981. The lagoon sediment will be hauled away eliminating the hazardous nature of these two lagoons. I will report completion of this activity.

We hope this meets your total requirements for notification and elimination of the lagoons. Please call me (309/752-5435) if additional information is required.

Yours truly,

Ralph D. Grotelueschen  
Manager, Environmental Control

/s/  
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cc: Jim Karabachian, Illinois EPA